

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN BILL THOMAS**, on March 31, 2003 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bill Thomas, Chairman (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Mark Noennig, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Tom Facey (D)
Rep. Steven Gallus (D)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Daniel S. Hurwitz (R)
Rep. Larry Jent (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. Holly Raser (D)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Ron Stoker (R)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Susan Fox, Legislative Branch
CJ Johnson, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 191, SB 192, 3/27/2003
Executive Action: SB 192, Tabled; SB 191, Be
Concurred In; SB 95, Be
Concurred In As Amended (BCIAA);
SB 314, BCIAA; SB 347, BCIAA;
SB 111, BCIAA; SB 449, Be Concurred
In; SJ 11, Be Concurred In, Consent
Calendar; SJ 18, Be Concurred In,
Consent Calendar

REP. MORGAN chaired the hearing on SB 191.

HEARING ON SB 191

Sponsor: SEN. JERRY O'NEIL, SD 42, Columbia Falls

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. O'NEIL explained that this bill will require the deletion of unsubstantiated allegations of child abuse from the records.

Proponents' Testimony:

Shirley Brown, Division Administrator, Child and Family Services, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS), stated that they support this bill.

Chris Christiaens, Montana Chapter, National Association of Social Workers, said that they also support this bill.

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Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REP. WINDY BOY asked about the fiscal notes. The sponsor deferred the question to Shirley Brown, who explained that there will be no fiscal impact until 2006.

REP. NOENNIG had a question regarding the policy change on the "preponderance of the evidence" on Page 4, Line 23. Shirley Brown responded that the determination is made according to Division policy; it is not in rule.

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REP. ROBERTS questioned the percentage of substantiated cases of the 61 unsubstantiated investigations in 2002. Shirley Brown said that they usually substantiate about 10-12%.

REP. ROBERTS asked if this bill would add a lot more work for the Department. Shirley Brown said that it wouldn't have much effect on workload (with the amendment) until about three years from now.

REP. RASER had a question regarding the amendment being retroactive. **Shirley Brown** clarified that the amendment starts from this date forward; the Department will not go back into old files on unsubstantiated claims.

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REP. NOENNIG had a question regarding Page 6, Lines 18-23. **Shirley Brown** explained that a performance audit was conducted of the Child Protective Services system. One of the recommendations of that audit was that the Department alter their record retention system.

REP. NOENNIG asked if record retention is an economy of scale. **Shirley Brown** replied that it is not. If the abuse is reported and no further instances occur for three years, or if the claim is unsubstantiated, the records are destroyed. **SEN. O'NEIL** added an example of a person he knows who allegedly abused his daughter. It was untrue, but that stayed on his record.

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REP. JENT asked how many of the cases are unsubstantiated. **Shirley Brown** responded that the Department conducted 10,000 investigations last year and 1,500 children went to foster care.

REP. MORGAN wondered about the difference between unfounded and unsubstantiated claims. **Shirley Brown** explained that in an unfounded claim, social worker makes the determination with no evidence. With an unsubstantiated claim, there could be some evidence, but there is not enough to take the child out of the home.

REP. RASER had a question regarding the time frame for record keeping. **Shirley Brown** explained the process and difference between substantiated and unsubstantiated reports.

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Closing by Sponsor:

SEN. O'NEIL closed on SB 191.

CHAIRMAN MORGAN (acting chairman) closed the hearing on SB 191.

CHAIRMAN STOKER (acting chairman) opened the hearing on SB 192.

HEARING ON SB 192

Sponsor: SEN. JERRY O'NEIL, SD 42, Columbia Falls

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. O'NEIL opened on the bill, stating that it will eliminate the Certificate of Need (CN) program. He distributed a comparison among states of CNs (Exhibit 1). He also distributed and discussed the amendment. He stated that an interim committee did a study on CNs and deemed them unnecessary.

EXHIBIT (huh68a01)

EXHIBIT (huh68a02)

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Proponents' Testimony:

Mary Dalton, Administrator of Quality Assurance Division, DPHHS, stated their support of the bill and the amendment.

Opponents' Testimony:

Nancy Heyer, RN, Executive Director, Partners in Home Care, said that she is opposed to this bill, as a provider for home care services. Ms. Hyer presented her written testimony.

EXHIBIT (huh68a03)

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Debby Folkerts, Director of Nursing Services, Rocky Mountain Home Care, Billings, explained that in the health care services, cost goes up with a decrease in volume of clients. She urged the Committee to vote in opposition to HB 192.

Jeanie Voorhis, home care nurse, Billings, stated that she is opposed to this bill. The design of certificates of need is to control duplication of health care services to serve clients in a cost-effective manner; SB 192 would undermine that goal.

Casey Blumenthal, Vice President, Extended Care Services, Montana Healthcare Association (MHA), expressed her reasons for opposition to the bill and distributed letters from hospitals also opposing SB 192.

EXHIBIT (huh68a04)

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Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REP. ROBERTS asked if Nancy Heyer was concerned with the costs if certificates of need are taken away. **Ms. Heyer** stated that her company is a nonprofit organization. **REP. ROBERTS** asked if a hospital could come in and replace her company. **Ms. Heyer** explained that hospitals oversee them, so they work together.

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REP. NOENNIG asked Mary Dalton regarding the history and role of CNs. **Ms. Dalton** expounded upon that subject, and their use. She explained that the only facilities subject to CNs are home health agencies, long-term care facilities (including nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities for DD), and chemical dependency centers.

REP. NOENNIG further inquired about the facilities that need to have a CN. **Mary Dalton** explained that about half of the states in the U.S. have eliminated CNs; the remaining states vary in how strict they are in regard to the CNs. She explained that this bill will not have an impact on rural areas, because 80% of the business is Medicare-driven.

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REP. FACEY had a question regarding Partners in Home Care and their affiliation with the hospitals. **Nancy Hyer** explained their association.

REP. MORGAN and **Mary Dalton** discussed CNs with regard to home care health services and the effects of the amendment. They also discussed the Medicaid funding versus State funding and the changes made to the fiscal note.

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REP. RASER asked if the certificates of need have enabled free market expansion or if they have been an obstacle. **Mary Dalton** responded that it depends on the circumstance of the particular company. If the business is already established, it is a friend; if not, it can be a foe.

REP. RASER asked why it would be a good policy change to eliminate CNS. **Mary Dalton** said that depends on one's view of a free market versus a more controlled market. **SEN. O'NEIL** further expanded on that topic, delineating the drawbacks of the CNS.

REP. STOKER inquired if home health care facilities are licensed. **Mary Dalton** said that they are both licensed and certified in Montana. **REP. STOKER** then asked if the certificate of need is a type of market analysis for a company. **Mary Dalton** responded that it could be looked at in that way.

Closing by Sponsor:

SEN. O'NEIL closed on SB 192, stating that the last certificate of need was denied in 1986; they are not really necessary.

CHAIRMAN STOKER (acting chairman) closed the hearing on SB 192.

CHAIRMAN BECKER (acting chairman) opened for executive action.

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Please note: Tape 2, Side B was skipped over; content continues on Tape 3, Side A.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 192

Motion: **REP. STOKER** moved that SB 192 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion: **REP. MORGAN** moved that SB 192 BE AMENDED (SB019211.asb).

Discussion:

Susan Fox explained the amendment.

Vote: Motion carried 11-1 with **REP. GALLUS** voting no by voice vote.

Motion: **REP. FACEY** moved that SB 192 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.

Discussion:

REP. MORGAN said that she will not support this bill.

Substitute Motion/Vote: **REP. GALLUS** made a substitute motion that SB 192 BE TABLED. Substitute motion carried 11-2 by roll call vote with **REPS. NOENNIG** and **STOKER** voting no.

{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 0 - 5.6}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 191

Motion: REP. FACEY moved that SB 191 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion:

REP. JENT voiced his support for SB 191.

REP. MORGAN added her support for the bill.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: REP. ROBERTS moved that HB 191 BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. Motion failed unanimously.

REP. JENT will carry this bill on the House floor.

{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 5.6 - 9}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 95

Motion: REP. STOKER moved that SB 95 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion: REP. JENT moved that SB 95 BE AMENDED (SB009502.asb).

Discussion:

Susan Fox distributed and explained the many changes in the amendment.

EXHIBIT (huh68a05)

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REP. NOENNIG commented that a lot of the amendment language requires Department consent before the court could order something. The subcommittee had decided that it would be infringing on what the court could do.

REP. WINDY BOY asked if there is reference to the Indian Child Welfare Act. Susan Fox added that it was referred to in the bill.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: REP. NOENNIG moved that SB 95 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

REP. WINDY BOY will carry this bill on the House floor.

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CHAIRMAN THOMAS continued as Chairman for the remainder of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 314

Motion: REP. BECKER moved that SB 314 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion: REP. THOMAS moved that SB 314 BE AMENDED (SB031402.asb).

Discussion:

REP. WINDY BOY had a question regarding the fiscal note.

CHAIRMAN THOMAS said that there is a new fiscal note that will be included in the amendment (Exhibit 6).

Claudia Clifford explained the amendment regarding the CHIP program and default dollars for funding that program. She said that there is an 81% match of federal dollars on the program.

EXHIBIT (huh68a06)

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REP. STOKER asked about the funding. Claudia Clifford said that this bill is trying to capture some money to match CHIP. This will enable CHIP to cover all of the children up to 175% of the federal poverty level. This would require \$2.5 million State match money; \$3 million per year would provide money for Outreach.

REP. MORGAN stated that she opposes the amendment, stating that too many things are being put in statute. She stated that there needs to be some flexibility to put money in other areas when the need arises.

REP. HURWITZ asked where the money will go if the amendment fails. CHAIRMAN THOMAS said that the excess money will go to the general fund.

REP. RASER explained that they are deciding if the CHIP program is good policy. **REP. HURWITZ** said that there are other areas in DPHHS that will also come up short; he was wondering if funds could be allocated for other programs. **Susan Fox** explained about settlement money and where it will go if obtained.

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Vote: Motion carried 8-5 with **REPS. STOKER, MORGAN, ROBERTS, WINDY BOY, and HAWK** voting no by roll call vote.

Susan Fox explained the next amendment (SB0031401).

EXHIBIT (huh68a07)

REP. FACEY asked Susan Fox to go over the waiting list portion of the amendment. **Susan Fox** further explained the list.

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REP. NOENNIG added that he likes the amendment; the bill only covers between 150% and 175%, not under 150%.

REP. WINDY BOY asked about Page 1, Line 16 and the age being lowered from 17 to 18. **REP. NOENNIG** explained the situation as discussed in the committee beforehand.

REP. BECKER said that she talked to the sponsor and she doesn't think the Senate will agree with the bill as amended. The sponsor did say they are willing to risk that and try to get the bill addressed in a Conference Committee.

REP. HURWITZ commented that if the bill only includes up to 17-year-olds, it would enable many more children to be covered.

REP. NOENNIG explained the change in CHIP coverage for the children in need of it.

REP. MORGAN asked for clarification on Page 2, Line 3. **REP. NOENNIG** explained that the amendment will cover more of the lower income children.

REP. WINDY BOY questioned how the amendment will affect the 17-year-olds. **Susan Good** stated that this amendment does not affect them, but a subsequent amendment could.

{Tape: 3; Side: B; Approx. Time Counter: 10.4 - 15.3}

Motion/Vote: REP. THOMAS moved that SB 314 BE AMENDED (SB031401.asb). Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion: REP. FACEY moved that SB 314 BE AMENDED (SB031405.asb).

Discussion:

REP. FACEY explained that this amendment will scratch "17" and insert "18" on Page 1, Line 16.

EXHIBIT (huh68a08)

REP. FACEY discussed the amendment and the effect it will have on CHIP coverage.

REP. STOKER spoke in favor of the amendment.

Vote: Motion carried 12-1 with REP. HAWK voting no by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: REP. NOENNIG moved that SB 314 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried 10-3 with REPS. HAWK, MORGAN, and STOKER voting no by voice vote.

REP. MORGAN had a question regarding the tobacco tax and if that money was being funded through HB 2 to go to CHIP. Mary Knowles responded and said that the funding is not from the general fund, but from state special revenue.

REP. RASER will carry this bill on the House floor.

{Tape: 3; Side: B; Approx. Time Counter: 15.3 - 22.2}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 347

Susan Fox distributed the Statement of Purpose regarding SB 347 with four other exhibits including a memo from Gene Durand, two amendments, and a copy of the gray bill.

EXHIBIT (huh68a09)

EXHIBIT (huh68a10)

EXHIBIT (huh68a11)

EXHIBIT (huh68a12)

EXHIBIT (huh68a13)

REP. NOENNIG went over the gray bill (Exhibit 13). He stated that the direction for the Department to do a study to determine

whether the bill will work is on Page 5, Line 14 of the gray bill.

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REP. FACEY added that the purpose of this bill is to make distinct lines between policymaking and service delivery. The SAAs would be the policymakers and the community mental health centers would be the service delivery. He added that the subcommittee worked hard to make sure the County Commissioners and their money would be treated in the same manner in which they are treated now. He said that the time lines worked into the bill are a good safeguard also, in providing for enough time to make the changes.

REP. ROBERTS clarified that the services will be handled individually.

Motion: **REP. FACEY** moved that SB 347 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion:

REP. STOKER suggested that the County Commissioners want to be included in the decisions. He asked if the bill is taking that decision making authority away from them. **REP. NOENNIG** affirmed that in a way it is; the management of the new system will be through the Department and the SAAs. **Susan Fox** explained that they had to keep the County Commissioner separated from community mental health centers. She referred to the amendment on Page 4, Line 3 that directs the SAAs to work with the County Commissioners.

CHAIRMAN THOMAS had a question regarding the Statement of Purpose (Exhibit 9) and how the mentally ill will be better served by the new system. **REP. NOENNIG** replied that the purpose of the bill is to realize that the cost of mental services is so high and funding has not increased. This is an attempt to efficiently manage the system so that more people have services.

REP. ROBERTS added that cost savings will be achieved by putting these regional health centers in the communities so all will have access to them.

REP. STOKER asked if the local provider or SAAs will determine the screening of who qualifies for treatment. **REP. ROBERTS** explained the process and that the DPHHS will work with the stakeholders to create leadership authorities.

REP. NOENNIG said that the idea is that the SAA is the gatekeeper.

REP. FACEY referred to the gray bill on Page 4 regarding the SAA Board; anyone can choose to be on the Board and participate.

REP. ROBERTS commented that this is a significant paradigm shift; there will need to be modifications, but this will serve as a blueprint.

REP. STOKER clarified that in new Section 4, Page 4, IV, utilization management is done by the SAA.

{Tape: 4; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 0 - 15}

Motion: **REP. NOENNIG** moved that SB 347 BE AMENDED (SB034712.asb, Exhibit 12).

Discussion:

REP. BECKER asked for clarification regarding the flow of money. **Susan Fox** explained the amendment (Exhibit 12) and the DPHHS will receive the state appropriation and federal match. The Department would then contract with the SAAs. She said that the County Commissioner is responsible for the county money levied.

REP. NOENNIG added that Medicaid accounts for 90% of the total money; county money is only 2% of the total.

REP. WINDY BOY asked about the fiscal note. **Susan Fox** explained that there is no fiscal note because of the SAAs; they will use the public mental health fund that is already in place.

{Tape: 4; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 15 - 20.3}

REP. JENT asked that, if another layer is added in the mental health services, if that will take the money away from the patients. **REP. FACEY** referred to Page 3, Lines 6-7 of the original bill, stating that there are other issues included in that concept. This new system will better administer the money.

REP. ROBERTS and **REP. STOKER** discussed that the community health centers will become less involved as the patients start using the regional centers.

Dan Anderson, DPHHS, offered his view on the potential efficiencies that could be incorporated into the system.

REP. FACEY gave examples of rural counties' situations to help clarify the purpose and role of the new system.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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Susan Fox interjected that there is one remaining amendment that was not recommended by the Department.

REP. FACEY said that this bill deals with adult and youth services.

Motion: **REP. FACEY** moved that SB 347 BE AMENDED (SB034713.asb, Exhibit 11).

Discussion:

Susan Fox said that something had been left out of the previous amendment, so this amendment would add the age qualifications between the services.

{Tape: 4; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 26.5 - 30}

SEN. KEENAN discussed the bill and amendment, stating that the amendment is not necessary.

REP. FACEY withdrew his motion to amend.

REP. ROBERTS asked about the language on Pages 3-4 regarding credentialing. **Susan Fox** responded that the amendment (in Exhibit 11) clarifies that point.

REP. FACEY had a question regarding the memo from Gene Durand, Director of Missoula County Adult Mental Health Service. **Susan Fox** explained that Mr. Durand was not aware of the amendments.

Motion/Vote: **REP. FACEY** moved that SB 347 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried 12-1 with **REP. BECKER** voting no by voice vote.

REP. ROBERTS will carry the bill on the House floor.

{Tape: 4; Side: B; Approx. Time Counter: 0 - 3.4}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 111

Motion: REP. HAWK moved that SB 111 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion: REP. HURWITZ moved that SB 111 BE AMENDED
(SB011101.asb) .

Discussion:

Susan Fox introduced Gordie Higgins, who worked on the amendment. Gordie Higgins, Department of Labor and Industry, explained that the Federal Trade Adjustment Assistance Act is a program to deal with job displacement. It will provide retraining for laid-off workers due to foreign trade competition.

EXHIBIT (huh68a14)

REP. JENT summarized that the amendment takes advantage of the federal law to give health insurance to displaced workers who qualify. Gordie Higgins explained that there are ten types of TAA options for the workers to use including COBRA, individual health plans, coverage under spouse, and this bill.

{Tape: 4; Side: B; Approx. Time Counter: 3.4 - 9}

Susan Fox walked the Committee through the amendment (Exhibit 14).

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

REP. HURWITZ asked if this was the plan to cover the group of people from Libby, who have cancer. REP. JENT replied that this program was put in place for anyone who needs health coverage.

REP. ROBERTS said that the insurance companies put this program together so that people will have access to insurance when the state will not cover them. He clarified that only Montana residents can participate in the program.

Aden Myree, Montana Chapter of the Health Care Association, further explained the TAA program and its role regarding this bill.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

REP. FRANKLIN will carry this bill on the House floor.

{Tape: 4; Side: B; Approx. Time Counter: 9 - 15.1}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 449

Motion: REP. WINDY BOY moved that SB 449 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion:

REP. ROBERTS explained that this bill is to demographically evaluate what is going on through statistics; there is no identification of wrongdoing, simply an accumulation of numbers to protect kids.

REP. MORGAN stated that she will support the bill, but believes that it is hypocritical.

REP. BECKER asked if the bill is amended to address REP. WINDY BOY's concern regarding the tribes' inclusion.

REP. RASER had a similar concern regarding the tribes. She also added that the bill will simply collect statistics on abortions to follow environmental conditions, etc.

REP. ROBERTS added that, due to data from a similar study, the child proof bottles were instituted.

REP. JENT stated that on Page 2, Lines 6-8 there is a provision regarding the Indian reservations.

{Tape: 4; Side: B; Approx. Time Counter: 15.1 - 21.3}

Motion/Vote: REP. WINDY BOY moved that SB 449 BE TABLED. Motion failed 1-11 with (unidentified) voting yes by voice vote.

REP. WINDY BOY said that he had anticipated a failed tabled vote, and offered a conceptual amendment to strike any reference to the tribes in the bill.

Susan Fox distributed the amendment.

EXHIBIT (huh68a15)

REP. ROBERTS stated that his understanding was if tribes wish to participate, they may; if they don't wish to participate, they don't have to. He wondered the purpose of the amendment. REP. WINDY BOY stated that he wanted the tribes' opposition on record.

REP. RASER asked if this would preclude a tribal government who would like to participate. REP. WINDY BOY answered that the tribes had not been contacted beforehand to discuss their

participation. **REP. RASER** said that the bill gives the tribes more options than the amendment would.

REP. MORGAN asked **REP. JENT** if the Committee passed the amendment, if it would be in violation by discrimination. **REP. JENT** said that the entire bill is discretionary; everything is voluntary.

{Tape: 4; Side: B; Approx. Time Counter: 21.3 - 30}

Motion/Vote: **REP. ROBERTS** moved that SB 449 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried 11-2 with **REPS. STOKER** and **WINDY BOY** voting no by voice vote.

REP. RASER will carry this bill on the House floor.

{Tape: 5; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 0 - 2.9}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 11

Motion/Vote: **REP. FACEY** moved that SJ 11 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

REP. FACEY suggested, without objection, to put SJ 11 on the Consent Calendar.

REP. PARKER will carry this bill on the House floor.

{Tape: 5; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 2.6 - 5.1}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 18

Motion: **REP. HAWK** moved that SJ 18 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion: **REP. HAWK** moved that SJ 18 BE AMENDED (SJ001801.asb).

Discussion:

Susan Fox explained the amendment.

EXHIBIT (huh68a16)

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: **REP. STOKER** moved that SJ 18 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

REP. BECKER suggested, without objection, to put SJ 18 on the Consent Calendar.

REP. WINDY BOY will carry this bill on the House floor.

CHAIRMAN THOMAS closed the meeting.

{Tape: 5; Side: A; Approx. Time Counter: 5.1 - 7.5}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 8:10 P.M.

REP. BILL THOMAS, Chairman

CJ JOHNSON, Secretary

BT/CJ

EXHIBIT (huh68aad)